

## Democrats Plan Big Drive for Women's Vote

National Executive Committee, in Atlantic City Meeting, Prepares to Raise Fund of \$10,000,000 for 1920

Doubts Wilson Will Run

Sub-Headquarters Will Be Opened Immediately in Chicago, Wichita and Butte

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 27.—The Democratic plans for the 1920 Presidential campaign were rounded out at the final session of the executive committee of the Democratic National Committee here to-day.

Homer S. Cummings, national chairman, who presided at the meeting, said tonight that, in accordance with plans, he would establish sub-headquarters immediately in Chicago, New York, and Wichita, Kan., and elsewhere at once a drive for the women vote.

This drive will be directed by Chairman Cummings, with the assistance of United States Attorney General Mitchell Palmer and A. W. Marsh, of Iowa. As an opening wedge in their drive the executive committee today adopted a resolution offered by Chairman Cummings to double its membership by adding that the committee will consist of seventy-five men and seventy-five women.

Urging Ratification at Once

In addition, the committee adopted the following resolution introduced by J. T. Barrett, of Colorado: "Be it resolved: That it is the sense of the executive committee of the Democratic National Committee that in those states where the national suffrage amendment has not been ratified the legislatures should be called into session at once for the purpose of ratifying the proposed amendment to the Federal Constitution in that the women may have the privilege of the franchise in the election of 1920."

No effort, however, will be made by the committee to have the states ratify "and what effect the publication of this resolution will have in rounding up public sentiment as one of the members said.

The committee, realizing that it will be a costly affair to educate the women in the campaign of the Democratic party after the disastrous congressional campaign of last year, appointed a sub-committee on finance to determine upon a method of raising the money, not only for the present but for the campaign proper in 1920. It has been estimated that at least \$10,000,000 will be required.

The finance committee will consist of Senator A. A. Jones, of New Mexico, chairman; Congressman L. Hall, of Tennessee, the author of the measure; and Dr. John W. Connelley, of Massachusetts.

As a further aid to the sub-committee headed by Chairman Cummings, which is charged with the responsibility of directing the drive for the women vote, a sub-committee on publicity was appointed, consisting of Chairman Cummings, Chairman E. Mack, of "The Buffalo Evening Times," chairman; Clark Howell, editor of "The Maine Constitution," and E. B. Lynch, of Maine.

Within the next six weeks these three committees will determine the best methods of procedure and report back their findings to the executive committee. Chairman Cummings said that he would call the committee to meet some time in November, either here or in Washington.

There was considerable talk among the members of the executive committee to again today that President Wilson would not be a candidate in 1920. The talk centered around the fact that the arrival here today of Frank D. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, who was accompanied by Thomas L. Spillane, former national committee chairman, was considered.

Mack Makes Statement

Now, however, would talk for publication, with the exception of Mr. Mack, who said: "You can say for me that if the league of nations is defeated by the Senate we will nominate Woodrow Wilson by acclamation and we don't give a damn what he has to say about it."

But despite the other members of the committee declared that President Wilson would not be a candidate, giving it as their opinion that he has no thought of running for a third term.

Wilson who has the confidence of the President, said one gave preference to

similar sentiments, in reply to a question said:

"I don't think that William G. McAdoo, Governor of Ohio or United States Attorney General Palmer, or any other candidates whose names are now being mentioned will get the nomination. My bet is on a dark horse."

**Big Task Ahead**  
But whoever the candidate may be the Democratic leaders have cut out for themselves a campaign of no mean proportions. Headquarters at Wichita will be in charge of S. G. Amidon, second vice-chairman of the national committee, who lives there, and the Butte headquarters will be presided over by J. H. Krenner, first vice-chairman. The Chicago headquarters will be under the management of Charles Boeschstein, a member of the executive committee.

The need of making a drive for the women was brought home to the executive committee by Mrs. George Bass, of Chicago, chairman of the women's section of the Democratic National Committee, in a report she submitted to the executive committee at its session this morning.

In this report Mrs. Bass pointed out that although the suffrage amendment had not been ratified, before the 1920 Presidential campaign women will have the vote in twenty-five states and that these women voters will determine the political complexion of 280 votes in the electoral college, or six less than the necessary number to elect the President and Vice-President. In the 1916 election the woman vote represented ninety-one votes in the electoral college.

**No Sex Organization**  
Mrs. Bass explained to the committee that in the non-suffrage states the Democrats should organize at once political study clubs for women, and in that way spread Democratic propaganda while awaiting the ratification of the Federal amendment. This was agreed to.

"No effort will be made to organize women as a sex," said Mrs. Bass in an interview. "I have just finished a tour of seventeen states, where I spoke to sixty-seven assemblies of women. Everywhere I found the women strongly favoring the league of nations and standing for social laws and other progressive welfare legislation. The women will follow some one in 1920 who represents the things they want for the world and is not afraid to say he represents them."

In answer to another question, Mrs. Bass said: "The trend of women is toward radicalism. But by that I do not mean Bolshevism. What I mean is that if they see something wrong with the Constitution or anything else made in the tallow dip era they are not afraid to say so, as are some men."

Mrs. Bass has a plan of getting money from the women for the Democratic cause. This is to assess each precinct or election district in states where women vote. The basis of assessment has not yet been determined, but will probably be left to local leaders.

**Piano Only Music in Big Paris Theatres**

Variety Shows Are Given With Curtailed Casts; Places May Become Dance Halls

PARIS, Sept. 27.—The piano was the chief strikebreaker in the music halls of Paris last night. By the use of this instrument the Casino, the Olympia, the Ambassadeurs and the Alhambra, were able to keep their audiences. The Folies Bergere returned its patrons' money, having no musicians and only about a quarter of the usual number of performers. The manager declares he will convert the place into a dance hall to avoid trouble with the unions.

Harry Pilcer kept the Apollo dance hall open with a picked up orchestra. Only four houses were open with full staffs, having signed contracts to engage only union employees.

At the Olympia there were no stage hands, and here and at other halls the scenery changes were made by the performers. A group of non-union entertainers held a meeting, at which the right to work was demanded. The president of one theatre managers' association present said his organization had agreed not to employ unorganized workers, but added that he would bring the question up again, as he personally would refuse to be bound by such an agreement.

**Will Honor Admiral Conz At City College Stadium**

The Metropolitan Opera Chorus, led by G. Satti, will sing at a celebration to be given this afternoon in honor of Admiral Ugo Conz and the crew of the Italian battleship Conte di Cavour, at the City College Stadium, Amsterdam Avenue and 13th Street. The battleship's band will play.

United States officials and representatives of the Italian diplomatic and consular services will witness the bestowal upon Admiral Conz of a medal awarded to him by the King of Italy.

## Royal Guests To Stay 3 Days In Washington

King Albert and Queen to Come to New York October 6, Preceding Their Tour Over the Country

May Visit Mount Vernon

General Pershing Expected to Return From Seclusion to Greet the Party

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—The Belgian royal family will remain in Washington only three days—October 4, 5 and 6—Acting Secretary of State Brockbridge Long announced to-day. The King will be received by the Senate, which has agreed to a recess at 2 p. m. on that day to receive him. The royal visitors will come immediately to Washington after landing at New York and will remain the personal guests of President Wilson at the White House for Saturday, Sunday and Monday. The remainder of the stay of the Belgian party will be passed in New York City and on a tour of the

country, during which virtually all the leading cities will be visited. Definite plans for entertainment of the Belgian king and queen and suite will not be completed by the State Department until Monday, Secretary Long said to-day. Announcement was made, however, of the American officials who will accompany the visitors while here and also the personnel of the royal party.

A visit to Mount Vernon on the President's yacht Mayflower will be on the programme of activities of the royal family while in Washington. A trip to the Naval Academy at Annapolis also may be taken. Owing to the great friendship that exists between King Albert and General Pershing, it is likely that the overseas commander will emerge from his place of seclusion next week and assist in the welcome to the distinguished visitors.

The State Department to-day gave out the following personnel of the royal Belgian party: His Majesty the King of the Belgians, Her Majesty the Queen of the Belgians, His royal highness Prince Leopold, Duke of Brabant; his excellency the Belgian Ambassador, Baron de Cartier de Marchienne; the Comtesse Chislène de Charaman Chimay, lady in waiting to her majesty; Lieutenant General Baron Jacques, commander of the 3d Division of the army; Colonel Tiliens, of the General Staff, and de Camp to his majesty; Major of Artillery Count Guy de Brocque, adjutant of the court; Max Leo General secretary to his majesty; Charles

Graux, secretary to her majesty; Lieutenant of Cavalry Goffinet, officer of Colonel Nolf, physician to their majesties; Pol Le Tellier, secretary of the Belgian Embassy.

The following officials of the State Department and army and navy will accompany the visitors on their tour of the country: Minister to Belgium Brand Whitlock, Major General William M. Wright, U. S. A.; Rear Admiral Andrew T. Long, U. S. N.; Jefferson Caffery, secretary of embassy; Colonel Patterson, U. S. A.; Chief of special agents Department of State; E. T. Bell, confidential stenographer, and three special agents, Department of State.

**Hoboken Pier to Blaze With Color for the King**

Although the King and Queen of the Belgians pass only a few minutes in Hoboken on their arrival at this port on Friday, Pier 1 at the Port of Embarkation will be gorgeous with bunting in honor of the royal visitors. The pier is one used by the Hamburg-American Line for docking the

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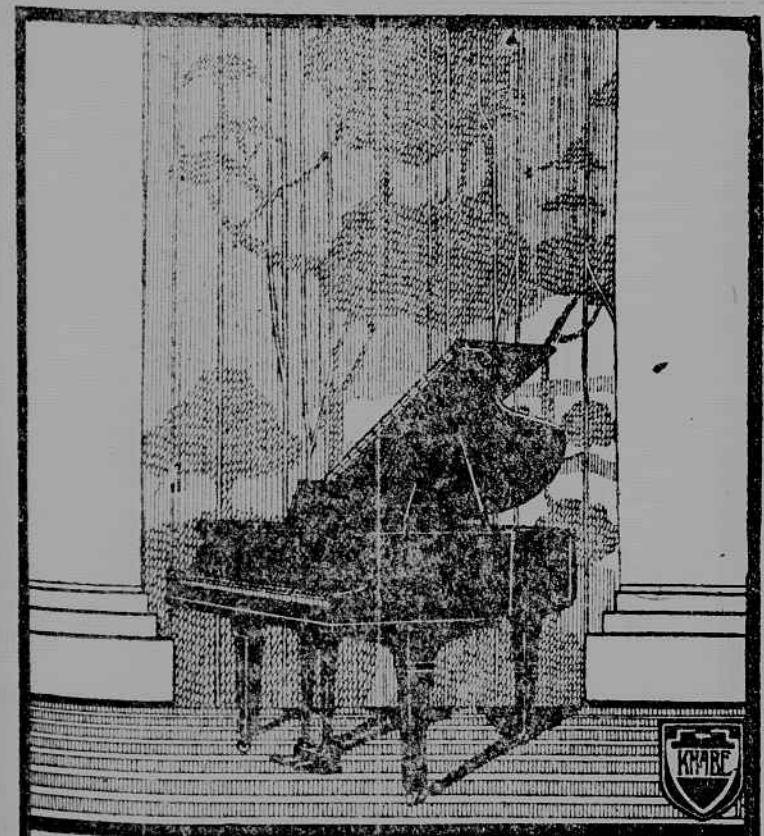
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